

The Commission

Equal Partners in Watershed Planning

A breakthrough in water resources management occurred in 1961 when President Kennedy and the governors of Delaware, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and New York signed concurrent compact legislation into law creating a regional body to oversee a unified approach to managing a river system.

The members of this regional body—the Delaware River Basin Commission—include the four basin state governors and a federal representative appointed by the President of the United States.

When the DRBC was created, some 43 state agencies, 14 interstate agencies, and 19 federal agencies exercised a multiplicity of splintered powers and duties within the watershed, which stretches 330 miles from the Delaware River's headwaters near Hancock, N. Y., to the mouth of the Delaware Bay.

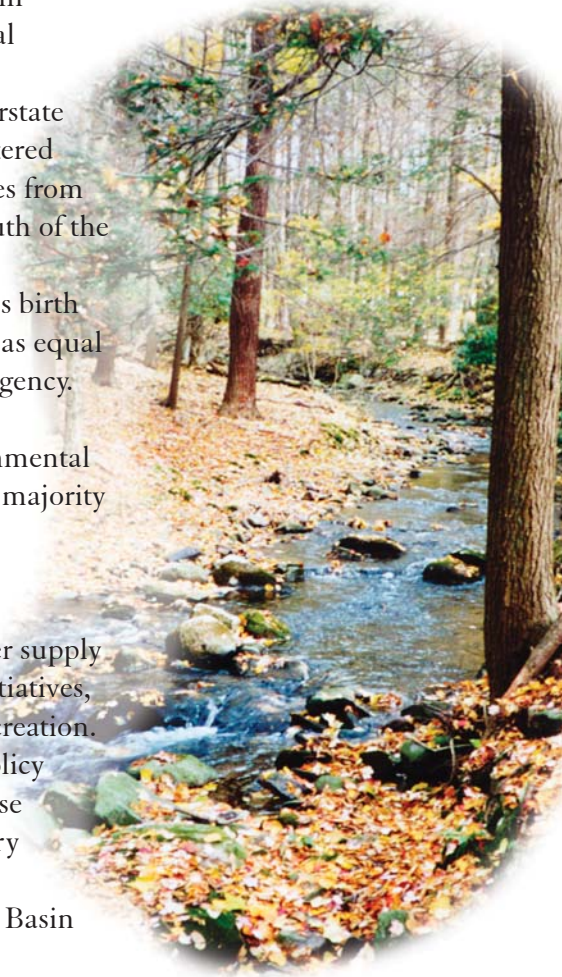
The compact's signing marked the first time since the nation's birth that the federal government and a group of states joined together as equal partners in a river basin planning, development, and regulatory agency.

The five members appoint alternate commissioners, with the governors selecting high-ranking officials from their state environmental agencies. Each commissioner has one vote of equal power with a majority vote needed to decide most issues. Exceptions are votes on the commission's annual budget and drought declarations, which require unanimity.

Commission programs include water quality protection, water supply allocation, regulatory review (permitting), water conservation initiatives, watershed planning, drought management, flood control, and recreation.

The commission holds business meetings and hearings on policy matters and water resource projects under regulatory review. These sessions, along with meetings of the commission's various advisory committees, are open to the public.

To learn more about the commission and the Delaware River Basin visit the DRBC web site at www.drbc.net.



Deputy Executive Director Named

Robert Tudor, former deputy commissioner of New Jersey's Department of Environmental

Protection (NJDEP), is the commission's new deputy executive director. The appointment became effective October 1, 2001.

During his 21 years with NJDEP, Mr. Tudor served as administrator of both the department's Land Use Regulation Program and the Office of Environmental Planning, playing a lead role in

watershed management initiatives and in the development of the state's Freshwater Wetlands Program.

He also was director of the Delaware Estuary Program, part of a federal effort to protect estuarine systems of national significance.

Mr. Tudor serves under DRBC Executive Director Carol R. Collier in helping to oversee the commission's project review, planning, monitoring and modeling, information services, and basin operations programs.

He is a graduate of Rutgers College and the University of Connecticut.

He succeeds Dr. Jeffrey Featherstone, who retired to pursue a second career as associate professor of planning and director of the Center for Sustainable Communities at Temple University Ambler (Pa.).

Dr. Featherstone worked for the commission for 19 years, establishing an aggressive water conservation program that earned both national and international recognition. He served as the first chair of the American Water Works Association's Water Conservation Division. In 1995 he traveled to China as a member of the U.S. Water Resources delegation to advise government officials on conservation and sustainability issues.

Officers Elected

The federal government was elected to chair the commission for the year July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002 at a commission meeting in June of 2001.

The federal government's DRBC representative at the time was Maj. Gen. Jerry L. Sinn. A month later, President Bush appointed Brig. Gen. M. Stephen Rhoades to succeed him.

Elected vice chair was Pennsylvania Governor Tom Ridge. The second vice chair

post went to New Jersey Acting Governor Donald T. DiFrancesco.

The other commission members are Delaware Governor Ruth Ann Minner and New York Governor George E. Pataki.

The Delaware River Basin Compact requires the annual election of a chair and vice chairs, which historically has been based upon rotation of the compact's five signatory parties.

The current list of commission members and their alternates can be viewed at <http://www.nj.gov/drbc/commiss.htm>.

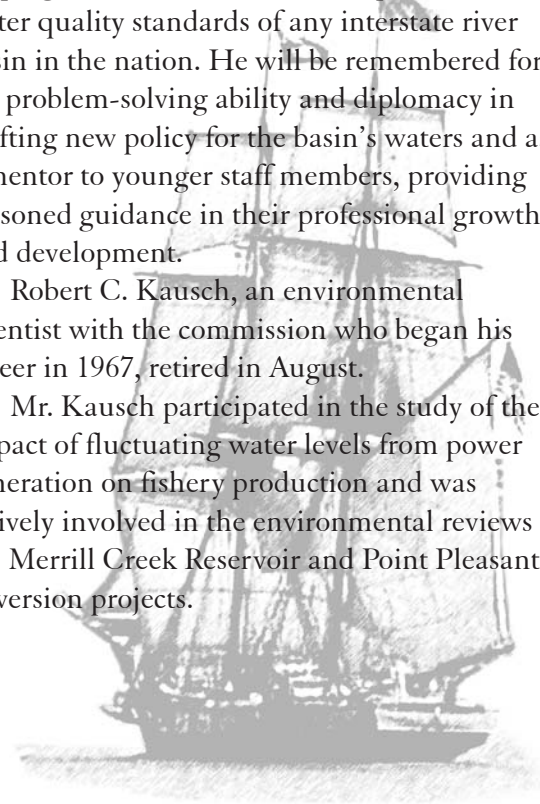
Farewell

David P. Pollison, who served with the commission for almost 38 years, retired in April of 2001.

Mr. Pollison was among the pioneers who blazed a new trail in water pollution abatement, helping to establish the most comprehensive water quality standards of any interstate river basin in the nation. He will be remembered for his problem-solving ability and diplomacy in crafting new policy for the basin's waters and as a mentor to younger staff members, providing seasoned guidance in their professional growth and development.

Robert C. Kausch, an environmental scientist with the commission who began his career in 1967, retired in August.

Mr. Kausch participated in the study of the impact of fluctuating water levels from power generation on fishery production and was actively involved in the environmental reviews of the Merrill Creek Reservoir and Point Pleasant Diversion projects.



Signatory Members

United States



Brig. Gen. M. Stephen Rhoades
Chair



Col. John P. Carroll
Alternate

Pennsylvania



Gov. Tom Ridge*
Vice Chair



Irene B. Brooks
Alternate

New Jersey



Acting Gov. Donald T.
DiFrancesco
Second Vice Chair



Robert C. Shinn, Jr.
Alternate

New York



Gov. George E. Pataki
Member



N. G. Kaul
Alternate

Delaware



Gov. Ruth Ann Minner
Member



Nicholas A. DiPasquale
Alternate

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United States

Lt. Col. Timothy Brown
Second Alternate/Advisor

Pennsylvania

William A. Gast
Second Alternate
Kumar Kishinchand
Advisor

New Jersey

Dennis Hart
Second Alternate

New York

Warren T. Lavery
Second Alternate
Joel A. Miele, Sr.
Advisor

Delaware

Kevin C. Donnelly
Second Alternate
Dr. Harry W. Otto
Third Alternate

* Lt. Gov. Mark Schweiker was sworn in as Pennsylvania's 44th governor on October 5, 2001, following Gov. Ridge's appointment by President Bush to head the nation's Office of Homeland Security

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- Kenneth F. Najjar, *Planning & Implementation Branch Head*
- Jessica Rittler Sanchez, *River Basin Planner, Planning & Implementation Branch*
- Alys Suero, *Geologist, Project Review Branch*
- Kenneth J. Warren, *Wolf, Block, Schorr, and Solis-Cohen, LLP, General Counsel*

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